GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1051
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2002
TEHRI DAM PROJECT
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether water storage in the Tehri Dam reservoir had commenced in December, 2001;

(b) if so, whether Tehri township and areas around it had been submerged;

(c) if so, the towns and villages already submerged;

(d) the details of rehabilitation of the dam oustees so far; and

(e) the stage at which the project stands, phase-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) to (c) : In order to make available the dry area down stream of Tehri Dam for the commencement of civil works of stilling basin of Tehri HE Project Stage-I (4x250 MW),it was a planned imperative to close down two diversion tunnels, T-3 & T-4. Accordingly, these tunnels were closed on 5.12.2001. As a result, the areas in Old Tehri Town, viz., the Balmiki Colony and Suman Colony, came under submergence. The inhabitants of these areas were duly shifted to New Tehri Town prior to closure of the above tunnels. The water storage in the Tehri Dam reservoir shall commence on closure of diversion tunnels T-1 & T-2.

(d) : The Rehabilitation and Resettlement (R&R) of project affected persons isbeing done in two phases. Under the first phase, the persons affected by the construction of Coffer Dam were to be resettled. In the second phase, the remaining persons are to be resettled before the impoundment of reservoir. The first phase of rehabilitation is almost over and the second phase of R&R of project affected persons is under progress. The details of the status relating to R&R of project affected persons are given in Annex.

(e) : Various infrastructural works, all the four diversion tunnels and coffer dam have been completed. The construction activities at the project site are at an advance stage of completion. The first unit of 250 MW is scheduled to be commissionedin March, 2003 and remaining 3 units of 250 MW each by August, 2003.

ANNEX.

ANNEX. REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART [d] OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1051 TO BE ANSWERED ON 7.3.2002

STATEMENT SHOWING THE PROGRESS RELATING TO REHABILITATION OF URBAN AND RURAL FAMILIES

[I] Rural Displaced Families :

Activity	Total Families	Fully Affected Families Rehabilitated/Paid Compensation
Phase-I	2064	2034 ++
Phase-II	3365 +	973

+ In addition, 3810 families partially affected are not to be rehabilitated but are to be paid cash compensation for their part-land coming under submergence.

++ All those families who have come forward have been paid compensation.

[II] Urban Population :
Total Families - 5291

Description	Required	Constructed/Developed	
Allotted Residential Plots	2438	2438	2438
Residential Flats	2853	2837	2714 +
Shops	784	787	707 +

+ All the eligible persons who have come forward have been allotted flats / shops.